

## **AGENDA**

### **CONNECTICUT BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR OPTOMETRISTS**

**Wednesday, September 10, 2014  
9:00 AM**

**Department of Public Health  
410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut  
Conference Room "C" – Third Floor**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

- I. MINUTES**  
Review and approval of the minutes of the June 11, 2014 meeting.
- II. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATES**  
Investigations Update  
*Gary Griffin, Investigations Supervisor, DPH*
- III. NEW BUSINESS**
- IV. ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS**

#### **ADJOURN**

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*The following minutes are draft minutes which are subject to revision and which have not yet been adopted by the Board.*

A meeting of the **Connecticut Board of Examiners for Optometrists** was held on **June 11, 2014** at the Department of Public Health, 410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut, in conference room "C" on the third floor.

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BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Matthew Blondin, OD, Chairman  
Lawrence Lefland, OD  
Joseph Pavano, III, OD  
Regina A. Strand, OD

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

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Dr. Blondin called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

**I. Minutes**

The minutes from the March 12, 2014 meeting were approved on a motion by Dr. Pavano, seconded by Dr. Lefland.

**II. Department of Public Health Updates**

Investigations Update

No Report

**III. New Business**

A. Lance Alpert, OD – Petition No. 2011-103  
Respondent's Request to modify Consent Order

Dr. Lefland and Dr. Strand were recused from the discussion and vote in this matter.

Dr. Alpert was present with Attorney P. Michael Margolis. Staff Attorney Linda Fazzina was present for the Department of Public Health. Hearing Officer Olinda Morales provided counsel to the Board. Argument was heard from Attorneys Margolis and Fazzina regarding respondent's request to modify a Consent Order dated May 15, 2013.

Ms. Morales advised the Board that the Consent Order cannot be modified by the Board because the Department of Public Health has objected to the modification proposed by respondent.

Following discussion Dr. Pavano made a motion, seconded by Dr. Blondin, to deny respondent's request to modify the Consent Order and strongly recommended that the Department of Public Health and respondent enter into negotiations to modify the terms of the Consent Order. The motion passed.

Dr. Pavano and Dr. Blondin commented that based on the circumstances presented it was their opinion that the Consent Order should be modified.

**IV. Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 10:02 a.m. on a motion made by Dr. Pavano, seconded by Dr. Lefland.

Respectfully Submitted,

Matthew Blondin, OD, Chairman  
Connecticut Board of Examiners for Optometrists